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## Marginal Column

THE British "Architectural Review" has just published a special issue called "Outrage" dealing with what one critic has defined as "creeping suburbia," the transformation of mid-century Britain into a vast and mediocre suburb with dreary and neuter. The editor states that this issue is "a warning that a prophecy of doom: the prophecy that if what is called development is allowed to multiply at the present rate, then by the end of the century Great Britain will consist of isolated oases of preserved monuments in a desert of wire, concrete roads, cosy plots and bungalows." There are many pictures of lamp posts, sheds and car parks or fenced-in trees, chain link fences, poles, pylons and wires and a variety of somewhat incongruous municipal notices on all kinds of boards. The special issue is a very interesting one, and it could undoubtedly be studied with much profit by municipal councilors and city planners in Israel.

BUT it is really as bad as that? The other day I read Mr. Peter Quennell's new book on Hogarth which gives an invaluable picture of 18th century London, and a number of Dickens novels I did not know before, and lastly I had the opportunity (as most newcomers to this city have) of spending several hours each day in cars and buses in the streets of this city. The generally accepted assumption is that everything was fine in the British capital up to the industrial revolution. But Hogarth serves as an antidote to that romantic longing for an idyllic past which never really existed. His markets, warehouses, and bachelors are pretty ghastly even if we recall that he usually preferred painting the darker side of the picture.

WITH Dickens, the description of hideous sights reaches its apotheosis. Camden Town with the arrival of the railway is stated to be hell on earth in "Dombey and Son." The vicinity of the Thames is described in "Our Mutual Friend" as an accumulation of refuse inhabited by the scum of humanity engaged mainly in fishing corpses from the water. And there is a frightening scene in "Nicholas Nickleby" describing the traffic, on one rainy evening, on one of the main roads leading towards the capital: men and women all on their way to the metropolis and to inescapable doom.

WELL, and now to Camden Town, and the Thames and suburbia in midsummer of 1955. The "inner ring" is a course, a fairly dreary sight, but once you pass it, and the majority of the inhabitants of this city live outside the inner ring, the impression of a city is not horrifying at all. The western, southern and northern suburbs are very much alike. There is the same accumulation of banks, groceries (with incidentally a far larger display and stocks than a year or two ago), sweets and tobacco shops, radio and television. There are the same suburban cinemas performing the same movies ("Escape from Burma" and "The Gambler from Moscow") and similar churches and synagogues, trolley buses and so on. It may be dull, it is certainly not beautiful, but it is not so depressing either as the Edwardian houses in the "inner ring." It looks prosperous, what with the TV antennas on every house, and cars in front of every house, and a modest prosperity, the result of ten years of full employment, not of any great rise in the national income or exports or labour productivity.

THE main charge, then, is the annihilation of individuality. The identity of towns and villages is disappearing — writes Sir Hugh Casson — until there is nothing between them but distance, and no travel is more the sense of getting anywhere or leaving anything behind. This is an observation which probably applies everywhere in the world. It is justified, but it is unrealistic to expect speedy remedy — and perhaps any major remedy. For individuality cannot be imposed by administrative order, and many people in this age of the means of mass communication simply do not happen to have individual tastes. Bureaucracy may indeed become a virulent form of ugliness but it is inevitable up to a point: conformity is a natural result of technical progress. There are, of course, a great many things that can be done, such as keeping the ugly advertisements from the streets and roads. About £250m. are spent each year in this country on advertising. But on the whole, this city is today not only a more healthy place than 50, 100 or 200 years ago but also more beautiful, or at least less ugly.

## 9 Held After Bomb At Rokach's Home

**JERUSALEM POST BUREAU**  
TEL AVIV, Saturday. — Nine persons are reported to have been arrested in connection with several political bomb outrages which have taken place during the past few weeks. Following the latest outrage — a bomb exploded in the house of Mr. Israel Rokach, M.K., the Inspector General of Police, Mr. Y. Sahar, announced the offer of a £10,000 reward for information leading to the capture of the criminals. The name of the person giving the information will not be revealed.

At about 11 p.m. yesterday, a mysterious phone call had been put through to the house of the former Minister of Interior, asking if he was at home. The caller refused to give his name and hung up with a sinister laugh.

The bomb was apparently planted on the door-mat of the apartment which is on the second floor of the house at 118 Rothschild Boulevard and it blew the front-door off its hinges, damaging a wall and the staircase. The whole house was shaken and the entrance to the flat was a shambles.

Mr. Rokach did not attend the meeting arranged by the General Haim Levonon, guided hundreds of persons to Mr. Rokach's house, to voice their support and sympathy. Within a short time, a judge and a microphone had been fixed up, and the former Minister spoke to the crowd from the veranda.

Mr. Rokach, who had not thought of this attack on himself and his family, but he undertook to serve the community again if he was elected as Mayor.

Shortly after the explosion, Mr. Rokach issued a statement saying that he had suffered under the British in the time of the Mandate and during the Arab uprisings, but he has now been elected Mayor of Tel Aviv.

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## Turks Confirm Aim To Mediate Here

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## Ex-State Secretary Cordell Hull Dies

**WASHINGTON, Saturday (Reuters).** — The former Secretary of State, Cordell Hull, died of a heart attack at his home in Washington, near here today, aged 83.

He retired as Secretary of State in 1945 because of ill health, and had been hospitalized at intervals since that time. Yesterday, he had a stroke and was under oxygen and had been hospitalized at intervals since that time. Yesterday, he had a stroke and was under oxygen and had been hospitalized at intervals since that time.

Peace Prize winner in 1945, he served as Secretary of State in three administrations of the late President Roosevelt, occupying the post twice. He was in any other name. When he retired from the State Department, Roosevelt named him the "father" of the U.N.

His world-wide renown for his efforts to improve international relations and his life-long devotion to the cause of peace.

A tall, slim lawyer known at times as the "southern gentleman" of the Roosevelt Cabinet, Hull, born in a Tennessee log cabin, first entered politics as a member of the House of Representatives in 1905. Later, he was a circuit judge and was elected as Governor in 1907.

President Eisenhower has sent instructions from Geneva that Hull be buried at half-mast.

## SENATE VOTES AID BILL

**WASHINGTON, Saturday (Reuters).** — The Senate last night approved President Eisenhower's \$2,500,000,000 Foreign Aid Bill. All attempts to make cuts in the military and economic provisions were defeated.

## Ben-Gurion Asks Redemption Of Land And People

Foreshadowing his own return to the helm, Mr. David Ben-Gurion in an election broadcast last night renewed his appeal for the two chief needs of the day — the reclaiming of desert lands of Israel, and the welding into one people of the "tribes" from West and East that now make up the nation.

He said that he believed that this could not be carried out without an effective democratic system based on the direct link between the voter and his elected representative, and he ensured a stable government supported by the majority of the people.

Mr. Ben-Gurion said that in his 20 years as a citizen of the Negev, he had been able to see, as never before when he was in office, the dangers that beset Israel from within and from without. He had seen the enemies without. Two-thirds of the country are still desert and wilderness, and the bitterness of exile had also carved out deserts and wilderness in the hearts of the people, among them some of the oldest and best of the settlers, and in those of the newcomers from all the lands of dispersion, particularly those who had recently come from the Moslem countries. He had appealed to the youth of the country to step into the breach and redeem both the land and the people, and they had responded magnificently, coming from both abroad and town to work and teach in the immigrant villages. But it would need more than volunteers could do, and indeed could not do, the efforts of government and nation to carry out this aim to the end.

## New Pioneering

The "second Aliya" days of simple pioneering by single individuals, for all its glory, belongs in the past, he said, and we need a new kind of pioneer, one who now have a Jewish State, and all its land and natural resources are open to us. We have modern transport and modern cities, with all that is in them of good and bad.

If anyone doubted the survival of the pioneering spirit, let them look at the new settlements on the borders north, east and south, built by Israeli youth and by immigrants, and at the thousands who have left the towns and prosperous villages to go out and help.

But these pioneering spirits needed organized help. (Mr. Ben-Gurion continued) for it was not reasonable that the border villages, alone, should shoulder the burden of insecurity and the threat of attack. The Government should take the lead in this, and the towns and villages should follow. The Government should take the lead in this, and the towns and villages should follow.

## Burns' Term Extended For Another Year

**NEW YORK, Saturday (Reuters).** — The U.S. Secretary-General, Mr. Dag Hammarskjöld, announced yesterday that he had extended for a further term of one year the appointment of Major-General E.L.M. Burns as Chief of Staff of the U.N. Truce Supervision Organisation in Palestine.

The Chief Minister, Mr. David Ben-Gurion, said in moving the motion: "We accepted office in complete faith that the constitution was intended to bridge the present period to full self-government and ultimate independence. We have, I think, demonstrated in this short period, our sense of responsibility, believing that we had power."

## Marshall Demands Singapore's Freedom

**SINGAPORE, Saturday (Reuters).** — The Legislative Assembly adjourned yesterday after a motion that "The people of Singapore are determined to end colonialism and to rule themselves."

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## JORDAN BORDER ROADS

The Jordan Government and the U.N. Operations Mission have jointly allocated 500,000 dinars for building roads connecting Arab and Jewish villages with nearby towns. The Old City newspaper, "A-Difa," reported yesterday.

# Summit Talks End in 'Full Accord'; Foreign Ministers to Tackle Details

## Doctors Demand End Of Nuclear Tests

**LONDON, Saturday (Reuters).** — Doctors from nine countries, members of an international commission set up to investigate the medical and biological effects of atomic explosions, yesterday called for no more explosions of atomic and hydrogen bombs.

The call was made in a preliminary report published here today in "The Lancet," one of Britain's leading medical journals.

The commission met in Tokyo, Osaka, Hiroshima and Nagasaki. The doctors came from Britain, the Soviet Union, France, West Germany, Chile, China, Belgium, Czechoslovakia and South Africa.

The doctors' report said: "We consider that the persistence of radioactive contamination of the sea, rain and atmosphere is the most important feature of experimental H-bomb explosions, for we are afraid that the cumulative effects of increased irradiation over widespread areas may result in unfavourable genetic changes among the populations of those areas."

The doctors, who interrogated many survivors of atomic bomb explosions in Japan, commented: "Those who survived commonly suffered or suffer from various effects after effects of many cases of blood diseases terminating fatally have already occurred among them."

The study of these various effects should continue and periodic international conferences be convened to evaluate the results."

## Security, German Unity Linked

**GENEVA, Saturday.** — The Big Four leaders ended their six-day face-to-face conference here this evening with complete agreement on a plan for future negotiations about key issues to reduce East-West tension. The summit negotiations were concluded with a one-hour open session, with summings-up by President Eisenhower, Marshal Bulganin, Sir Anthony Eden and M. Edgar Faure.

Marshal Nikolai Bulganin, President Dwight D. Eisenhower, Sir Anthony Eden and M. Edgar Faure, concluded their six-day summit conference in Geneva last night by issuing a directive to their Foreign Ministers:

The Heads of Government of France, the U.K., the U.S.S.R. and the U.S. in their desire to contribute to the relaxation of international tension and the consolidation of confidence between states, instruct their Foreign Ministers to continue the consideration of the following questions in regard to which an exchange of views has taken place at the conference, and to propose effective means for their solution, taking account of the close links between the reunification of Germany and the problem of European security, and the fact that the successful settlement of each of these problems would serve the interests of consolidating peace.

For the purpose of establishing European security with due regard to the legitimate interests of all nations and their inherent right of individual and collective self defence, the Ministers are instructed to consider various proposals to this end, including a security pact for Europe or a part of Europe.

To secure a general reduction in armaments, the Foreign Ministers were instructed to work together to develop an acceptable system for disarmament through the sub-committee of the U.N. Disarmament Commission.

To instruct their representatives in the sub-committee in the discharge of their mandate from the U.N. to take account in their work of the views and proposals advanced by the Heads of Government at the conference.

To propose that the next meeting of the sub-committee be held on August 29 in New York.

To take note of the proceedings in the Disarmament Commission in order to consider the views and proposals of that body to further useful initiative in the field of disarmament.

The Foreign Ministers were also instructed to study measures to bring about a progressive elimination of barriers interfering with free communications and peaceful trade, and to bring about such free contacts as are to the mutual advantage of the countries and peoples concerned.

## Egypt Preparing for 'Language Of Force' Against Israel

**CAIRO, Saturday (Reuters).** — Egypt is now "preparing to speak the language of force" with Israel, Major-General Hakim Abdul Amer, War Minister and Commander-in-Chief, said today at the march past of armed forces in battle kit.

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## Egyptians Throw Grenades in Patish

**TEL AVIV, Saturday.** — Three persons were wounded when Egyptian infiltrators threw two hand-grenades into a house in Patish Settlement at about 10.30 tonight, the army spokesman announced here.

(Two of the victims, who were severely injured were taken to the Beersheba Hadassah hospital.)

It was in this settlement that Egyptian marauders last March killed a woman and wounded a girl, the parents of whom were celebrating a wedding.

Syrian positions yesterday morning opened fire on automatic weapons on a Syrian patrol travelling along the Armistice Line south of Lake Kinneret in the vicinity of Sha'ar Hagolan, the Army spokesman also announced. The patrol returned the fire. Reinforcements which arrived on the scene in armoured vehicles rescued the patrol but firing continued into the afternoon. Our forces suffered no casualties.

One of the armoured vehicles showed bullet marks. Firing stopped when U.N. Observers arrived at the scene. As Israeli forces were leaving the area in the afternoon, they were again fired at.

An Israeli police boat was fired upon by Syrian positions using automatic weapons on Friday in the northernmost sector of Lake Kinneret, the spokesman added. At the same time, the boat opened fire on a Syrian fishing vessel. The boat was hit and several minutes the Syrians directed artillery fire at the police boat, which continued patrolling without suffering any casualties.

## GOHAR PROMOTED

Lieut.-Col. Salah Gohar, Director of the Palestine Division in the Egyptian War Ministry, has been promoted to full Colonel, according to Cairo Radio.

## TO THE CITIZEN! TO THE VOTER!

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## Bulganin, Khrushchev Ready to Visit West

**MOSCOW, Saturday (Reuters).** — A top Soviet government leader said last night it was improbable that Prime Minister Nikolai Bulganin and the Communist Party Chief, Mr. Nikita Khrushchev, would refuse to visit the U.S., Britain or France if invited.

## SAIGON TERRORISTS EXPLODE BOMBS

**SAIGON, Saturday (Reuters).** — A time bomb exploded here today outside the headquarters of the Revolutionary Youth Movement, which joined in the stormy demonstrations on Wednesday when the hotel headquarters of the International Truce Control Commission were sacked.

The authorities are expected to post troops to protect residents in the city's diplomatic quarter, where terrorists' time bombs blew up four transformers early this morning. The area was plunged into darkness, and it is expected to be a week before lighting is restored.

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HAIFA — NIR ETZION  
Today, July 24, 1955, a new line will begin to function to Nir Etzion, Ymin Ord. and Ein Hod, daily at 11 a.m. in Haifa and will return from the Eged Bus Station at the above settlements at 11.45 a.m.

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## Social & Personal

The 11th anniversary of Polish independence was celebrated at the Migdal Cinema in Tel Aviv yesterday under the auspices of the Israel-Polish Friendship League in the presence of the Polish Charge d'Affaires, Mr. J. Slawinski, and the Cultural Attache of the Polish Embassy.

Mr. Ben Tzouler, head of World H.I.A.S., and Mrs. Tzouler were given the freedom of the City of Beersheva at the City Council's last official act on Thursday. The honour was bestowed by Mayor David Tzouler in recognition of the work done by H.I.A.S. to establish a hostel for professionals in Beersheva.

**ARRIVALS:** Rabbi Z. Zambrowsky, president of the Mizrahi movement in Canada, and a member of the Zionist Executive for a visit accompanied by his wife and children. Mr. Stephen Barber, of the London News Chronicle, editorial staff, to cover the elections. Mr. J. S. Sagarman, chairman of the Independence and Development Bond drive in Israel, and Mr. Sagarman Spice Corporation from a business trip to the U.S.

**DEPARTURES:** Mr. L. Luzzatto and Mr. G. Fencelstein, of the Italian Socialist Party, after a one-week visit as guests of Mapam.

The visiting group of Executive Directors of the U.J.A.-affiliated Community Councils, headed by the Negro and Ladino areas on Thursday under the guidance of Mr. M. Kahanovitch, head of the U.J.A. Executive, and Mr. S. Sagarman, chairman of the Independence and Development Bond drive in Israel, and Mr. Sagarman Spice Corporation from a business trip to the U.S.

A reception for the Israel Philharmonic Orchestra was held at the Migdal Cinema on Friday afternoon. Among those who greeted the Orchestra were Mr. S. Sagarman, chairman of the Independence and Development Bond drive in Israel, and Mr. Sagarman Spice Corporation from a business trip to the U.S.

The Government Press Office held a farewell reception at the Jerusalem Press Club on Thursday for Mr. Roger Loret, Director of the French Press Agency in Israel, who has completed his assignment in this country. Mr. Fabian Lacombe, Mr. Loret's successor, was welcomed.

A farewell reception for Mr. Walid Tabari, the Sharia lawyer who is moving to Nazareth, was held on Thursday night at the home of Mrs. Francis Gunther in Jerusalem.

A farewell garden party for the Hadassah "Summer Tour," led by Mrs. A. Elias, was held on Thursday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Mendes Sachs, at Gan Hayim, and was attended among others, by representatives of the American Embassy and U.S.O.M.

Mrs. Paul Romanoff, widow of Mr. Paul Romanoff, Archaeologist, visiting Eliahu Romanoff, Beit Hakerem.

**KESSARY PRESENTS CREDENTIALS**  
Mr. Joseph Kessary presented his Letters of Credence as Minister of Israel to the President of the Dominican Republic, Mr. Hector Trillo.

**BRITISH ENVOY TO CAIRO KNIGHTED**  
LONDON, Saturday (Reuter). — The Queen yesterday received Mr. Humphrey Trevelyan, who was appointed Ambassador to Cairo.

The Queen knighted him and invested him with the insignia of a Knight-Commander of St. Michael and St. George.

**U.N. LEAVES JAPAN BOUND FOR HOME**  
TOKYO, Saturday (UPI). — Premier U. N. of Burma left by plane for home early this morning after completing a four-day visit to Japan, the last country he inspected on his globe-trotting tour.

The Premier spent his last few hours yesterday rushing from one spot to the next. His visits took him from a reception at the Japanese Embassy to a reception at the home of a wealthy Japanese farmer.

**DETENTION.** — Iraq police have discovered a Communist Party organization in Diwaniyah, south-west of Baghdad. They detained several alleged Communists, an announcement said.

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## U.S. Civil Air Cadets Here

JERUSALEM, Post Reporter  
LYDDA AIRPORT, Saturday. — Five young Americans, accompanied by two officers, arrived here on a one-month goodwill mission today. They are cadets of the U.S. Civil Air Patrol, and are here under an exchange scheme which today sent five Gads-Avior boys and two Israeli Air Force officers to the U.S. in the same U.S. Air Force Skymaster which brought the Americans.

Alan on the plane were five Turkish Civil Air Patrol cadets, who travelled in the company of Senator Rifaa Qadim and Mr. Abbas Cetin, head of the Turkish G.A.P.

Reading the American group is ready to spend most of its time in this country, where he had many friends and relatives, he said. The Jerusalem Post, The G.A.P. cadets said they had been during World War II, he had never seen this country, where he had many friends and relatives, he said.

The five boys, in khaki uniform and blue forage caps, were greeted by the outgoing group, headed by Mayor David Tzouler, and the national colours on their arm badge. They hail from various parts of the U.S., and are the pick of the crop, their escorts said. They are Henry H. Ehrmann, of Brooklyn, N.Y.; Donald S. Levine, of Worcester, Massachusetts; Charles W. Humber, of Rapid City, South Dakota; Ronald R. Tremblay, of Manchester, New Hampshire; and Frank H. White, of Atlanta, Georgia.

The guests will stay at the Ramat Aviv Hotel. The boys brought with them keys of their native cities to be presented to the Mayors of towns here. But because of the impending elections, the presentation of the keys has not been added.

**ISRAEL SCOUTS SEE U.S. VICE-PRESIDENT**  
WASHINGTON, Saturday (Reuter). — A delegation of Israeli boy scouts who called on Vice-President Nixon yesterday, presented him with a new edition of the Bible published in Jerusalem. The nine boys are on their way to the eighth World Scout Jamboree in Canada and were entertained at a reception at the Israel embassy.

**4 Large Soviet Moslem Groups Off to Mecca**  
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It has been a significant characteristic of the election battle of both the General Zionist and the Progressive parties that they have been directed mainly toward discrediting Mapai and that there has been a notable lack of emphasis on alternative programmes.

The General Zionists have now published their official platform and policy for the coming years. It received house-room in this paper on Friday. There is nothing in the platform which is new and very little, on the positive side, that is not already the avowed policy of the present Mapai Government. The programme proposes the development of friendly relations with foreign nations and an energetic defence policy; more extensive immigration and the "attracting" of 100,000 middle class and professional class immigrants; the development of agricultural resources, the development of agriculture and industry and "the creation of an atmosphere of pioneering initiative."

All of these might well have been taken from the Mapai platform itself, and in some cases refer to policies which the General Zionists have in fact opposed most strenuously. As regards national resources, for instance, whose promotion figures as the first aim under the heading of "Development and Economy," they have always been most reluctant to vote State funds for experimental development through government companies, even where they might serve to supply a national need, but could not attract private capital.

The party does not put out for itself mainly in the promise of higher wages for the intellectual workers, whose grievances they have newly discerned, and in the parallel promise of lower income tax rates, the abolition of property tax, and higher rates only for the cooperative enterprises which, since the days of the Mandate, have enjoyed certain exemptions under the law similar to those in force in Britain. Just how realistic are these promises of higher salaries, lower taxes and stable prices and currency values nobody knows; as a party not likely to direct government policy in the foreseeable future such undertakings are not dangerous to give.

Credit and blame are difficult to apportion to members of a Coalition government in most cases, but the warmest General Zionist economist will not attempt to deny today that much of the eased foreign currency and production situation in Israel today, for which they have eagerly claimed credit, is due to the materials and funds received under the Reparations system which they violently opposed, not least on the grounds that even were an agreement to be made, it would never be honoured. Israel needs a critical opposition and vigorous alternative policies almost as much as it needs a stable and efficient government, but the General Zionists' first attempt at taking part in the administration does not appear to have matured and crystallized either their policies or their political leaders.

Of the Progressives it might be said that their intentions outstrip their capacities. If we are to have piecemeal, no party will survive that does not draw its support from a broad strata of voters produced by the historical past of the nation. This may be the labour movement that brought a generation of pioneers to breathe life into the Zionist idea, or the religious traditions of the past, even perhaps the mass of dispossessed middlemen and small traders on whose need for an unplanned economy the General Zionists base themselves. The Western intellectual with high standards to whom the Progressives seek to appeal is an individualist, and he may be found in various places. Insofar as he belongs to the Progressive Party he has not relished the consciousness of the large-scale display and expenditure, out of all proportion to its numbers, which his party has been able to find for electioneering purposes.

There are two days to go until the elections, and Mapai, the party which has borne the responsibility up to now may well claim that no very convincing alternative has been offered.

## What Tel Aviv Has. And Has Not, Done

Shoshani Speaks For Gen. Zionists

REQUESTED by The Jerusalem Post to give an appreciation of the work of the outgoing Tel Aviv Municipal Council, whose activity was summarized briefly on this page on Friday, Mr. Saadia Shoshani (General Zionist), one of the city's three deputy-mayors and a member of the Council for over 30 years, declared that it had accomplished more in this term than in most previous ones.

The biggest achievement, Mr. Shoshani felt, was the integration into the city's social and economic life of the immigrant quarters which the municipality had absorbed six years ago. The inclusion of Jaffa in particular meant a drain on Tel Aviv's resources, yet the serious problem of the sewage, there had already been tackled and it would soon be connected with the main sewer. Jaffa was far from clean, and called for far-reaching changes, which would ultimately depend on the resources of the Custodian of Abandoned Property. The installation of a new sewage system in the Hatikva, Montefiore and other quarters east of the Ayalon was awaiting the completion of the main line. A channel had been dug to prevent the recurring flooding of the Hatikva quarter and would soon be finished. The cleaning up of all these quarters was a tremendous job and depended on government aid.

Tel Aviv's unemployment figures, Mr. Shoshani noted, were not only relatively low, but absolutely lower than those of the smaller cities. About ten per cent of the budget was spent on the city's schools, and 10,000 people had received assistance. In addition, 800 children were being kept in municipal institutions. The city now had nine secondary schools, in the four that were operated by the municipality the yearly fee was IL80 compared with IL300 in the private ones. Much remained to be done in the cultural field, particularly in teaching Hebrew.

If there were not enough parks in the city, it was because a parcel of land in the centre, there was still reserve land beyond the Yarkon and around the Z.O.A. House. The endless stream of traffic interfered with keeping Tel Aviv clean, and the job was particularly difficult in the poorer quarters, where taxes were only IL1 per room as against IL2 in the wealthier sections — less than in Haifa.

The Municipal Council met nearly every week, and so did many of its committees; some convened less frequently and Mr. Shoshani felt, were superfluous, because their work was being dealt with by other committees. Sessions were mostly fully attended. The points that appeared continuously at the bottom of the Council's agenda were put there by the Opposition, mainly out of ostentation. The next council must improve its procedure so that less time is wasted.

Mr. Shoshani deplored the government's hostility to the Tel Aviv municipality, and stressed that its financial support was inadequate.

Schechter, Mapai Leader, Is Critical

THE leader of the council's Histadrut section, Mr. E. Schechter (Mapai) secretary of the Tel Aviv Labour Council, felt that the municipality was not solving the city's basic problems. The tax on tenants, 25 per cent of rent, was the highest in the country, while the tax on landlords, 14 per cent, was the lowest, and no distinction was made between owner-occupied homes and houses owned for profit. The neediest were discriminated against by the lack of roads, parks, playgrounds and youth clubs in their quarters.

The municipality, Mr. Schechter noted, was far behind in its water development project, for which funds had been appropriated six years ago. Only one-third of the plan was completed, and \$30,000 had already been lost on it as a result of the rise in costs. Although bathing facilities were restricted because of beach pollution, the swimming pool at Yehuda, promised by Mr. Rotsch when he was Mayor, had not yet materialized.

The municipality could have done much more with the funds at its disposal. The agenda drawn up by the Mayor for municipal council sessions was out of touch with reality, Mr. Schechter said.

Mr. Schechter said that a two-thirds majority was required to change it. Much of the council's time was wasted on discussing the agenda and on interpellations, mainly because the Mayor refused to answer written questions before meetings. Requests for information about the municipality's plans for industrial development in Greater Tel Aviv, for instance, had been submitted years ago and had not yet been met. So it was with questions about measures to prevent flooding before the rainy season began. The subject never got on the agenda, until the damage had been done. Even the budget was brought up at the last minute and passed hurriedly without basic discussion.

Unlike other municipalities and the Knesset, the city's government did not allow any of its committees to be headed by opposition councillors, and as a result some met infrequently and others not at all. The future council, Mr. Schechter said, should make the more contact with the public, and keep above the minutiae of the municipality's work to retain a perspective of the city's affairs and problems.

Goldstein Gives Progressives' Case

MR. M. Goldstein, another member of the Council and General Secretary of the Progressive Party, felt that the municipality had done many important things but that several basic problems were left outstanding through lack of imagination, determination, and overall planning. Measures were taken hesitantly, piecemeal, and at the last minute, and funds were not available for urgent works.

The municipality, Mr. Goldstein stressed, had failed to make the most of the resources at its disposal. The fact that schools ran on two shifts, that ten per cent of the population were in social welfare cases, and that Tel Aviv's resources were inadequate to deal with this, the citizens had not been mobilized to clear up the city and beautify it. Exhibitions and festivals were not encouraged: Tel Aviv was the home of the Israel Philharmonic Orchestra, yet the International Contemporary Music Festival had been held in Haifa. The "atmosphere" of Tel Aviv was not congenial. Thousands of people had been driven out of the city, and there were not enough parks, clubs, and reading rooms.

No reserve land had been set aside for industrial development, and industry had left Tel Aviv, which was becoming a city of shops and kiosks and losing employment opportunities. The municipality had taken on secondary schools and hospitals, which were more than it could carry.

The municipal coalition was not a success: the religious parties were only interested in religious affairs, and Herut was an opposition within the coalition. The council wasted an absurd amount of time on questions, and needed a code of procedure. The administration needed reorganizing: some departments should be abolished and others added — one for tourism, for instance. There was no statistic department. An efficiency expert had been invited by the municipality and had reported that not even "been seen by members of the council."

The municipal committee, Mr. Goldstein felt, ought to consist of councillors plus residents. There should be more contact between the city government and the public, now very apathetic to local affairs. The Mayor should come to the people more, and keep above the minutiae of the municipality's work to retain a perspective of the city's affairs and problems.

## Readers' Letters

TRUE DEMOCRACY

Editor, The Jerusalem Post: Sir, In the Marginal Column of July 18 Mr. A.S. Super wrote the following:

"The party which will succeed in Jerusalem is that which will be able to command the fullest measure of understanding and support from whatever Government is elected. Mapai may or may not command a majority of seats in the next Knesset. It will certainly emerge as the largest single party which will have to participate in a predominant capacity in any Government that will be formed after July 26. That answers the question of practicality for the Jerusalem voter."

Perhaps it does. But I am not so sure if it answers the question of political fairness and true democracy. Nor am I so sure if all Mapai leaders will agree with Mr. Super who implicitly says that only a Mapai majority in Jerusalem will get the "fullest measure of understanding and support" from a Mapai-led government.

Yours, etc. DEMOCRAT (Name and Address Supplied) Jerusalem, July 18.

Mr. Super replies: Mapai is pleased up to the hilt by the Jerusalem Post's editorial. It is therefore obvious that cooperation is likely to be smoother between a General and a government holding identical views. This does not suggest that a Mapai government would not help Jerusalem whatever party controlled it. The statement, however, was frankly made to imply a doubt about some other parties who might not be so ready to invade the right of Mapai to rule for the right kind of purpose.

TELEPHONE BILLS

Editor, The Jerusalem Post: Sir, — This morning, when paying my telephone bill (received 18 days ago), I was asked for an additional IL2 for the disconnecting and re-connecting of my line. I thus learned that my line had been disconnected the same morning.

During the nearly 30 years that I have had my telephone I have on only two occasions had to be reminded to pay my fees (which average IL100 per annum), which I then settled on the same day. At my interview with the Deputy Postmaster today, I was told that the Post Office had dropped the practice of reminders and has started simply to disconnect every telephone for which payments are seven days overdue, charging IL2 for the re-connection of the line.

In view of the losses which may be caused to businessmen by the disconnection of their telephones without warning, I wonder whether the public can tolerate such a system. With the very high rates we pay, one could

have expected the service of a warning before disconnection, instead of making this additional charge for the work of only a few minutes.

Yours, etc. CITIZEN (Name and Address Supplied) Jerusalem, June 14.

Post Office Replies

We would like to call the attention of your correspondent to the fact that the bill which is sent to the subscriber states that the telephone will be disconnected without warning if the bill is not settled within 14 days.

As bills are sent by registered mail, your correspondent must have received his account in due time and he therefore cannot complain that his telephone was disconnected without warning.

POST OFFICE MANAGEMENT Jerusalem, June 30.

## Nazareth Water Problem Solved

Jerusalem Post Staff

THE inauguration today of a new Nazareth water supply system, which has taken the town's future expansion into account, marks the end of a period of several decades of trial and error for this Arab township. Nature has deprived Nazareth of nearby water resources, and the city fathers showed little inclination to organize an adequate supply from more distant sources. Thus Nazareth has depended for generations on its cisterns, and on a few springs that ran dry in the summer even after an average rainy season. A well was dug near the town during World War Two, but the water was saline and could not be pumped out anyway because the digging was poor. The well is known to this day as The Crooked Well.

When Israel planners drafted a plan to integrate the town into the national water system of Mekorot, the city council refused to consider it, and insisted on a separate municipal scheme to be carried out with the financial aid of the Government. Its considerations were mostly political, since Mekorot was a Jewish company. The Government did not give in. The experts of USOM backed it after an extensive survey carried out at the invitation of the Nazareth Council. Eventually objective conditions, such as this year's drought, forced the municipality to revise its stand.

The water, pumped by Mekorot from the Jezreel Valley to an altitude of 500 metres, will be piped to the entrance of the town, whence the municipality will distribute it to the houses. The line will give Nazareth 400 cubic metres daily in addition to its present 250 cum at the present stage, and over 1,000 cum when the new pumps are ready to operate. The scheme costs IL2,500,000, partly borrowed by the town from the Ministry of Interior and partly allocated by the Ministries of Labour and Defence.

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## Friday's Press Bigger Election Issues

EDITORIALS and articles — and a good deal of news coverage — are giving way to electioneering, mainly out of ostentation. The next council must improve its procedure so that less time is wasted.

"Al Hamishmar" (Mapai) publishes a map of the 27 kibbutzim in the Western Negev and writes that only one belongs to the federation that is common to rule alone, while Ben-Gurion just told an American Jewish newspaper that Mapai would form a coalition in any case. Mapai knows, "Hishbok" explains, that it cannot benefit from all the appeals and grants-in-aid unless it makes believe, for foreign consumption only, that it has the nation's interest at heart.

"Hatzofe" (World "Mishrahi Union") calls on each of the 60,000 members of Hapoel Ha-Mishrahi to bring an extra voter to the polls and make its party the balance of power in the Third Knesset. "Hishbok" (General Zionist) notes that Mapai has proved that it is two-faced because it intimates in Thursday's leading article in "its English newspaper, The Jerusalem Post" that the Knesset might be dissolved unless Mapai gets an absolute majority to rule alone, while Ben-Gurion just told an American Jewish newspaper that Mapai would form a coalition in any case. Mapai knows, "Hishbok" explains, that it cannot benefit from all the appeals and grants-in-aid unless it makes believe, for foreign consumption only, that it has the nation's interest at heart.

## MUSICAL DIARY

Kol Yisrael Orchestra, Georg Singer, conductor. Lendat Fenyes, violin. Y.M.C.A. Hall, July 24. Y. Patin: Little Symphony, op. 11. Dvorak: Concerto in A minor for Violin and Orchestra, op. 54. Haydn: Symphony No. 104 in D major.

Dvorak's somewhat lengthy Concerto was intelligently handled by Lendat Fenyes. Those who expected purposeless and exhibitionist virtuosity may have been disappointed at his playing, but if you think that it is more important to recreate the substance of the score and to follow solely the composer's intentions, you will greatly appreciate Mr. Fenyes' playing.

The second and perhaps most popular of the "London" Symphonies had well and truly under Mr. Singer's baton.

Y. ZARAI

THE Little-Symphony, never performed before, consists of three tiny and unpretentious movements, tuneful enough to hold the listeners' attention, and earned its author enthusiastic applause. Mr. Patin is a chemist, and we can state with a clear conscience that his work is by no means inferior to that of many a professional composer.

July 21, 1955.

## ELECTIONS TO THE THIRD KNESSET

Announcement

With regard to the public holiday on the Election Day of the Third Knesset.

- Section 8 of the Elections to the Knesset Law — 1955, states that Election Day will be a public holiday. Transportation services and other public services will continue to function as usual.
- According to this, factories, offices, commercial and business enterprises will not function on Election Day, July 26, 1955.
- Transportation services, restaurants, cafes, hotels, pensions and kiosks will remain open as usual.
- Grocery shops will remain open until 2 p.m.
- Theatres and cinemas will remain open as usual.
- The serving and selling of alcoholic drinks is absolutely forbidden.

SHERON AGARANT, Justice of the Supreme Court, Chairman, Central Elections Committee, for the Third Knesset.

July 21, 1955.

## "MR. ATTACK"

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## And They Themselves Have Said It

In the course of time a national Histadrut economy and a national economy owned by the State cannot exist side by side: we are not strong enough to support both.

Hilal Dan, Director of Solal Bosh, at a meeting of the Board of Directors of Hadrat Ordun (overall Histadrut holding company) in March 1954.

I do not think that the workers are at the moment capable of taking part in the management of our enterprises.

Hilal Dan.

There is such a thing as wholesome fear — today's Histadrut member is not the idealist of twenty years ago, and a strong organization and pressure are necessary.

Joseph Almog, Secretary of the Haifa Labour Council, in an interview with a "Haret" reporter.

The Trade Union Movement is allowed to lay down labour conditions, it will completely destroy the (Histadrut) economy.

Josiah, Director of Yabbin-Hakal, to the Board of Directors of Hadrat Ordun.

The new workers call the foreman (in Histadrut enterprises) "Sir"; for workers at their place of employment do not feel at home, but as if they were in a strange house.

Isaac Heyman, of the Hayama Workers Council, at the above meeting.

We are speaking for the rank and file comrade, but the rank and file comrade asks himself: What does Hamashbir or Solal Bosh give me? Better or cheaper goods? Lower interest? A better house?

A Zabaraki, at the same Hadrat Ordun meeting.

Kupat Holim is the secret of our strength. If the British Labour Party had had a Kupat Holim and its own economic enterprises, it would never have had to go out of office.

M. Namir, Secretary-General of the Histadrut, at a symposium on Socialism in Mapai, at Beit Berl, Jan. 1955.

AND IT'S GREATLY TO THEIR CREDIT

For they have let the out of the bag. That is how the leaders of Israel's working class talk when they are amongst themselves.

These are the spokesmen of Mapai, the people who dare ask for a "stable majority" in the Knesset — they and their camp followers, the "Progressive" and "Religious" parties.

In the Histadrut they have their "stable majority." If you want to know what to expect when they get it in the Knesset too, you need only listen to what they themselves say.

A "stable majority" for Mapai means that the worker will become the helpless slave of the managers' machine.

IF YOU WANT YOUR CIVIC FREEDOM,

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GENERAL ZIONISTS ORGANIZATION

CENTRE PARTY

## To the Citizen! To the Voter!

The Mobilisation Conference of the Progressive Party calls on the citizens of Israel to strengthen the ranks of the Party, to turn it, on election day, from a party of the few and the select, into a Mass Party of loyal followers.

Where shall we receive the strength to raise such a status? We shall not follow the path of terrorizing voters, nor shall we mislead them! We shall not distort historical truths, claiming such success and national achievement as ours, every defeat as the misdeed of a rival party.

We shall refuse to consider as all-embracing panaceas the strengthening of huge economic units, which threaten the independence of the worker, of personal initiative and which impair the free progress of our economic life.

We shall not go in search of inter-party deals, percentage agreements, representation-area combinations, whose sole purpose is — the imposition of minority rule over the majority.

THESE WAYS AND MEANS WE SHALL LEAVE TO MAPAI, WHICH IS CREAKING WITH AGE, AND LURTING FOR POWER.

Nor shall we, on the eve of the elections, dispense empty promises to left and right, in order to trap innocent and believing citizens into a party net.

Neither will we encourage the growth of cartels and trusts which make unholy alliances with giant Histadrut enterprises, and together undermine the position of the small man, the consumer and the small manufacturer.

We will not seek the support of the people by issuing licences against party donations whilst creating a smoke screen with such slogans as "depollitization of the Civil Service."

We will not act, as did a certain party, which opposed development, the Shikuna and pioneering land settlement — and now boasts it was responsible for the abolition of queuing and rationing.

We will not seek Government portfolios or jobs for our well-wishers and supporters.

We will not undermine national responsibilities for the sake of opposition smearing and election manoeuvres.

THESE PATHS WE SHALL LEAVE OPEN TO THE PARTIES WHICH LACK IN IDEALS, VISION AND ACCOMPLISHMENT: WHO HAVE MUCH CONCERN FOR A FEW, AND LITTLE CONCERN FOR MANY; TO THOSE WHO LABEL THEMSELVES "GENERAL ZIONISTS."

We Shall Stride with Assurance Towards The Status of a Large Party of the People —

By virtue of complete loyalty to the Nation, to Zionism, and to the State of Israel;

By virtue of our struggle for the freedom of the individual and the framing of a Constitution, serving as a shield for the defence of the rights of the citizen and for a proper democracy;

By virtue of our preparedness to carry the burden of Government responsibility and to contribute our share in the absorption of new immigrants, in attracting investment capital, in building the State, in developing its resources, in strengthening its economy, in populating its unsettled spaces, in defending its borders;

By virtue of our struggle for the equality of privileges and opportunity — obligation and responsibility of all sectors and classes of the nation participating in the up-building of the State; we shall prefer general interests over narrow class interests;

By virtue of our recognition of the fundamental and historical importance of the Labour Movement in the struggle for Zionist fulfilment;

By virtue of our special concern for new immigrants and the broad masses of the people, in order to fit them into the pattern of productivity and not to expose them to the mercy of demagogues of the Right and Left;

By virtue of our high regard for every evidence of initiative and creative productivity by private capital in Israel;

By fighting the existing injustice to the working intelligentsia and skilled workers, subjected as they are to an outmoded wage system;

We shall fight for the establishment of a State Labour, Employment Exchange and State Health Services;

We shall demand amendments in the Law for Women which clashes with the character and spirit of a progressive State;

We shall recommend ways and means for encouraging large immigration from all parts of the diaspora, for its spiritual and productive absorption, through fostering the strength and worth of our loyal partner — the World Zionist Organization;

We shall make every effort to constantly foster the Israel Defence Army, to increase its proficiency for defence and battle;

We shall struggle obstinately against political pressure, favoritism and corruption; IN THE NAME OF THESE PRINCIPLES AND DEMANDS THE PROGRESSIVE PARTY TURNS TO ALL CITIZENS OF THE STATE — IMMIGRANTS, VETERAN SETTLERS AND YOUTH, TO PUT THEIR TRUST IN OUR PARTY.

Through the Faith of the Masses

We Shall Grow from Strength to Strength

Progressive Party